



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application  
Inventor(s): Raymond Ellis et al.  
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FOR WEB-BASED TOOL  
MANAGEMENT

**PATENT APPLICATION**

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**RESPONSE D UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

This RESPONSE D is in reply to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2006. No fee is due for the addition of any new claims. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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